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POETRY CONSULTANT REAPPOINTED

Josephine Jacobsen, who has been appointed to a second term as Consultant in Poetry to the Library of Congress, describes her post as a center for poets, poetry and people.

Mrs. Jacobsen, an articulate poet from Baltimore, Md., discussed her work as consultant during an interview in her comfortable third floor office in the Main Building. "My work at the Library is uninstitutional," she remarked. "It's a highly personal job, related to poets, poetry and people."

"A poetry consultant acts as a human focal point for poets, whether they are professional or beginning poets. The poetry office provides them with a personal center to visit and to talk with a poet," Mrs. Jacobsen explained.

The Library's first woman Consultant in Poetry since Elizabeth Bishop (1949-50), Mrs. Jacobsen came to the Library last September for the 1971-72 term and will continue to serve during 1972-73. A series of distinguished poets have held the post since it was established in 1936 through a gift of funds from the late Archer M. Huntington.

Mrs. Jacobsen explained that she accepted a second term, even though it "will take a great section out of my own work," in order to accomplish the projects she planned during the beginning term. "A second term is valuable," she pointed out, "because it takes three or four months to break into the job."

In addition to meeting with visiting poets and scholars, Mrs. Jacobsen advises the Library on its literary collections, recommends new materials for purchase, assists in acquiring books and manuscripts through authors and collectors, and advises on bibliographic and reference work in the literary field.

She also gives literary supervision to the Library's program to tape record contemporary poets in readings of their own works. Particularly interested in this aspect of her work, Mrs. Jacobsen observed, "How great it would be to hear poets of the distant past reading their poetry." Someday, she said, she would like to see the Library's representative collection of recorded readings supplemented by filmed readings, preserving for posterity the expressions and gestures of poets reading from their own work.

As consultant, Mrs. Jacobsen also moderates and appears in public poetry readings at the Library. She made her first appearance as Consultant in Poetry with a reading on October 4 in the Library's Coolidge Auditorium. Since then, she has joined visiting poets in three other programs sponsored by the Library, serving as host and as emcee. She has also given a number of readings elsewhere in Washington and at colleges and universities across the country.

During March and April, Mrs. Jacobsen will make four appearances in the Library's Coolidge Auditorium as moderator of poetry readings, and on May 1 she will deliver a lecture on American woman poets.

Her busy schedule as consultant has taken time away from her writing, but Mrs. Jacobsen noted that she has "written bits and pieces in my spare time. A

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poem she composed in Washington during an overnight stay will appear shortly in *The New Yorker* magazine. Mrs. Jacobsen commutes from Baltimore to work in the Library poetry office at least three days a week during the academic year. She and her husband, Eric Jacobsen, a Baltimore business executive and for many years President of Martin Gillet & Co., tea importers, spend their summers at a home in Whitefield, N.H.

Mrs. Jacobsen has lived in Baltimore since she was 14 years old. She was born in Coburg, Canada, in 1908 and received her education from private tutors and in private schools.

Besides the poem in *The New Yorker,* her latest literary contributions appear in the spring 1972 issue of *Prairie Schooner,* the autumn 1971 issue of *Epoch,* and the current issue of *New Letters.* In addition to numerous articles and reviews appearing frequently in *Commonweal, Kenyon Review, Prairie Schooner,* and *Poetry,* as well as in the *Baltimore Evening Sun* and the *Sunday Sun,* her published work includes poetry, fiction, and criticism. Her books of poetry are *For the Unlost* (1946), *The Human Climate* (1956), and *The Animal Inside* (1967). Among her short stories, "On the Island" has appeared in the *Kenyon Review,* in *Best in American Short Stories of 1966* (1967), and in *O. Henry Award Short Stories* (1966).

Mrs. Jacobsen and William R. Mueller are coauthors of three works of criticism: *The Testament of Samuel Beckett* (1964), *Ionesco & Genet: Playwrights of Silence* (1968), and *Samuel Beckett's Long Saturday: To Wait or Not to Wait,* which was published in *Man in the Modern Theatre* (1965), edited by Nathan Scott. In addition, she is author of "The Beatific Signal" in *Salinger: A Critical and Personal Portrait* (1962), edited by Henry A. Grunwald.

YEHUDI AND HEPHZIBAH MENUHIN TO BE PRESENTED IN CONCERT

On Thursday and Friday evenings, February 3 and 4, the McKim Fund in the Library of Congress will sponsor a concert of chamber music for violin and piano featuring Yehudi Menuhin, violin and Hephzibah Menuhin, piano. These renowned artists will present the following works: Sonata in A major, Op. 100 by Johannes Brahms; Sonata for solo violin by Béla Bartók; and Sonata in A major by César Franck.

Each concert will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium of the Library. The concert on Friday evening will be broadcast in its entirety by Station WGMS of Washington, D.C., and tape recordings for delayed broadcasts will be made available to stations in other cities by the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

Admission to the concert on Thursday evening will be by invitation only. Tickets for the concert on Friday evening will be distributed by Patrick Hayes, 1300 G St., N.W., beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, January 31. A service charge of 25 cents is placed on each ticket, and only two tickets are distributed to an individual. Telephone reservations may be made on Monday morning by calling 393-4463. Mail orders are not accepted.

NOTEWORTHY ACQUISITIONS

First U.S. Arabic Newspaper

The Library of Congress has acquired from the Kansas State Historical Society partial backfiles of the first Arabic newspaper ever to be published in the

Unites States, *Kawkab Amīrkā* (The Star of America). The files cover the first four years (1892-1896) of the New York weekly paper which ceased publication in 1909. It was first edited by Najib 'Arbīlī and later by his brother Ibrāhīm 'Arbīlī.

During its first few years, the paper was published both in Arabic and English, but later converted to Arabic alone. It carried informative articles in English on the Arab World, particularly the eastern part, and articles in Arabic on the United States, thus encouraging and helping improve relations and understanding between the two. The backfiles will soon be microfilmed and made available to the public in the Near East Section of the Orientalia Division.

LC Acquires Douglass Papers

The Papers of Frederick Douglass, famed abolitionist, orator, and journalist, were transferred on Monday, January 17, from the National Park Service to the Library of Congress. In a ceremony in the Whittall Pavilion of the Library, the Librarian of Congress, L. Quincy Mumford, who accepted the Douglass Papers from Russell E. Dickenson, Director of National Capital Parks, stated that this acquisition would greatly enrich the Library's resources for the study of Black History and add significantly to the understanding of the Nation's past.

Attending the ceremony were members of the Douglass family, representatives of the Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical Association and the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, and scholars and officials from the Washington area. Following the presentation, Benjamin Quarles, Professor of History at Morgan State College, Honorary Consultant in American History to the Library of Congress, and biographer of Douglass, spoke of "Frederick Douglass: Black Imperishable." Noting that the Douglass Papers are of interest to all Americans, Mr. Quarles described the clarity and literary form of Douglass' own writings and the nature of the correspondence to him in the collection. Letters to Douglass from blacks are especially revealing, he said; "they demonstrate anew the ongoing effort of black Americans to take a hand in their own destiny, playing as large a role as humanly possible."

Mr. Quarles addressing an audience in the Whittall.

Mrs. Ann Teabeau and Fannie Douglass, both descendants of Frederick Douglass, with Mr. Mumford.

Frederick Douglass, who was born in slavery in Talbot County, Md., probably in February 1817, was sent at an early age to Baltimore, and, as a house servant there, learned to read and write. After several unsuccessful attempts, he escaped in September 1838 and made his way to New York and then to new Bedford, Mass. In 1841 he attended an abolitionist convention on Nantucket Island and, when asked to address the meeting, did so with great effect. William Lloyd Garrison later wrote, in recalling that event, that he "never hated slavery so intensely as at that moment." From this point on, Douglass was the leading exhibit of the anti-slavery crusade, his youth, eloquence, and commanding presence on the lecture platform serving as an irrefutable indictment of the system of chattel slavery.

In 1845 he published his *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass,* thereby extending his influence to a wider national and international audience. By

1850 some 30,000 copies of the *Narrative* had been published. Douglass lived from 1845 to 1847 in Great Britain and Ireland, and upon his return to America he went to Rochester, N.Y., where he founded the *North Star,* a reformist newspaper which he continued to publish for the next 17 years. During the Civil War he assisted in the recruitment of Negro troops for the Union armies, and in the period of Reconstruction served as a spokesman for the freed slaves. He moved from Rochester to Washington, D.C., in 1872 and resided thereafter in the Federal City. In this final period of his life Douglass received three Presidential appointments: as U.S. Marshal for the District of Columbia in 1877, from President Hayes; as Recorder of Deeds for the District, from President Garfield; and as Minister to Haiti, from President Harrison. He died in 1895 at his home, "Cedar Hill," in Anacostia.

W. E. B. DuBois once wrote that Douglass' life "was an epitome of American slavery and also a singularly complete human document. Born in slavery, he died in vigorous old age as one of the best and most widely known Americans and the first American Negro to achieve international fame."

The Douglass Papers, which had remained at "Cedar Hill" for many years, first passed from the Douglass family into the care of the Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical Association. In 1964 the papers were acquired by the National Park Service along with the home in Anacostia. "Cedar Hill," which has been fully and authentically restored by the National Park Service, will be formally opened to the public on February 14. The papers were transferred to the Library in 44 boxes. Included are more than 5,000 items, principally correspondence in which letters received by Douglass predominate. Manuscripts of Douglass' extraordinary production of addresses, speeches, lectures, and articles are amply represented. Most of the collection relates to the career of Douglass during and following the Civil War, the period in which the mass of American Negroes looked to him for leadership. His ante bellum papers and the files relating to the *North Star* are said to have been casualties of a fire that destroyed Douglass' home in Rochester.

VISITING LIBRARIANS

The first foreign librarian to visit the Library of Congress in 1972 was Noel Stockdale, Librarian of Flinders University, Bedford Park, South Australia, who spent most of January 4 visiting old friends and seeing new programs at LC.

On January 7, Saangsri Phornsuwan of Thailand, a recipient of a China Medical Board grant for graduate study in the United States, spent the morning at the Library of Congress. Miss Saangsri recently received a master's degree in library science from Florida State University, and on her return home will work in the Siriraj Medical Library in Bangkok. At LC she had an orientation tour, visited the Processing Department, and talked with John Price in the Science and Technology Division.

Maria Cavero, an AID grantee from the National Agricultural Library in Peru, spent January 12 seeing parts of the Library of Congress. Miss Cavero, who has been working at the National Agricultural Library in Beltsville, was especially interested in seeing LC reference services and cataloging procedures.

Three Canadians visited LC on January 13. They were Anna Laycocks, Librarian of the Canadian Embassy here, Bethany Armstrong, Cultural Attaché of the Embassy, and Eleanor Martin, a young librarian who is en route to London where she will be Librarian of Canada House.

Five librarians from Saint Joseph's College, Philadelphia, visited the Library of Congress on January 6. Brian Willson and Barbara Biebrich were guides for the Reference and Processing Department tours, and Edward Blume, Assistant Chief of Subject Cataloging, conferred with Josephine Savaro, the Librarian of Saint Joseph's. Other members of the group were Mrs. Ellen Gasiewski, Marjorie Rathbone, Mrs. Susan Gordon, and Kathleen O'Connell.

Paula Strain, Manager of Library Services for the MITRE Corporation, McLean, Va., and members of her staff visited the Library of Congress on January 11 and 13. In addition to general tours of the Reference and Processing Departments, the visitors had an intensive look at the Science and Technology Division. In addition to Miss Strain, the groups included Mrs. Susan Barber, Mrs. Sharon Lieberman, Mrs. Judy Miller, Elisabeth Roberts, Mrs. Jean Watson, Mrs. Ruth Gilliam, Annie Burke, JoAnne Reid, and Lou Perica.

Three groups of librarians from the Milton S. Eisenhower Library at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore have each spent a day during January seeing the Library of Congress. Each group had an orientation tour with Brian Willson as guide, then a general tour of the Processing Department, and finally more specialized visits to areas such as the Serials Division, Order Division, Preservation Office, and MARC

Development Office. Arrangements for these visits were made by Pamela Bluh, Assistant Serials Librarian at Johns Hopkins; a total of 34 librarians have participated in the tours.

AUDIOVISUAL CATALOGING AUTOMATED

The Audiovisual Section of the Descriptive Cataloging Division has begun to use cataloging worksheets instead of the traditional manuscript cards. This marks the first stage of the automation of motion picture and filmstrip cataloging. When the cataloging process is completed, the worksheets will go to the MARC Editorial Office for input on magnetic tapes and thence to computer tapes. Cards for these new titles will be printed from photocomposed copy produced directly from the tapes by the Card Division's Videocomp. Printed cards, produced by both letterpress and photocomposition, will continue to be used in the production of the 1968-72 quinquennial cumulation of *Motion Pictures and Filmstrips* but sometime in the spring a prototype computer-produced book catalog is planned, and at least the fourth quarterly of the published catalog should be produced in this fashion. By January 1973, the entire operation should be mechanized.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: Middle East. Vol. 9, no. 11, November 1971. (pp. 379-396.) Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Acting Field Director, Library of Congress Office, United States of American Interests Section, Spanish Embassy, Cairo, UAR.

Monthly Checklist of State Publications. Vol. 63, No. 1, January 1972. (pp. 1-74.) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at 40 cents this issue or $8 a year, domestic, and $10 a year, foreign.

National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections, 1970, and *Index 1970.* 1971. (xxvii, 636 p.) Compiled by the Library of Congress from reports provided by American repositories with assistance from the Council on Library Resources, Inc. For sale by the Card Division, Library of Congress, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20541, at $50 a copy.

The ninth volume (1970) of the *National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections* continues the serial publication presented by the Library of Congress as a means of bibliographic control of manuscript collections available to the public in American archives, historical societies, and libraries. This volume describes 2,167 manuscript collections held by 141 different repositories, 47 of which are cooperating in *NUCMC* for the first time. Together, the nine volumes of the catalog (1959-70) record the location of 27,312 discrete collections in 805 repositories.

The 1970 volume contains an index to the current year's descriptions of collections, listing the names of persons, families, corporate bodies, places, and subjects presented in the statements of entry and contents of the respective descriptions. The researcher interested in topics from a genealogical, local, national, or world approach will find the index designed to serve these various aspects. Because the holdings of American repositories generally date from the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries, periodization of subjects analyzed is given for those centuries and for decades within those centuries when appropriate. Statistically, the 1970 index has a total of 33,265 references: 11,900 personal names, 4,180 corporate bodies, and 17,185 subjects and places.

In addition to the general index, there is a repository index, listing the names of collections under the institutions holding them, and an index which lists American institutions holding reproductions of manuscripts, the originals of which are in foreign repositories, or of manuscripts not otherwise available in their original form. Finally, there is initiated with the current volume an index of collections comprised totally or in part of transcripts of oral history interviews and of collections containing sound recordings.

The first volume of the series, covering entries prepared in 1959-61, appeared in 1962 from the press of J. W. Edwards, Inc., Ann Arbor, Mich., where it may be purchased for $9.75. A second issue, in 1962, accompanied by an index volume for the entries in the first two volumes, appeared in 1964 from the Shoe String Press, Hamden, Conn., which sells the second volume and the index at $13.50 for both. The last five volumes, produced by the Government Printing Office, are sold by the Library of Congress Card Division. The third volume, 1963-64, is priced at $10 a copy, the fourth, fifth, and sixth volumes are $15, the seventh $25, and the eighth $50.

Suggestions regarding the compilation of the catalog and inquiries about taking part in the program should be addressed to Mrs. Arline Custer, Editor of

the *National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections* in the Library's Descriptive Cataloging Division, Washington, D.C. 20540. Queries about the manuscript collections described in the catalog should be sent to the repositories.

The Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress. Vol. 29, no. 1, January 1972. (pp. 1-76.) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents at 75 cents for this issue or $3.50 a year, domestic, and $4.50 a year, foreign.

The festival banners of 17th-century England, Ephraim George Squier's maps of Central and South America, Thomas Jefferson's diverse book collection, and recent acquisitions of the Music Division are highlighted in this issue of the *Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress.*

The January issue opens with an article, "Guild Days in Norwich," written by Edgar Breitenbach, Chief of the Library's Prints and Photographs Division. The essay is based on a rare book of drawings which the Library acquired 50 years ago from Maggs Bros. in London. The volume describes and depicts the symbolic banners carried in processions during the sumptous Guild Days in Norwich, annual celebrations honoring the installation of a new mayor, between 1683 and 1719. The book of drawings, which includes banner designs, the name and tenure of the newly-elected mayors, and the mottos used by school boys in their welcoming speeches to the mayor, is quite likely the most comprehensive pictorial record of the Guild Days in existence.

The second essay, "Maps by Ephraim George Squier," written by John R. Hébert, reference librarian in the Map and Geography Division, describes the Library's collection of 38 maps of Central America and Peru drawn by Squier, and puts them into their historic perspective. Squier, a colorful 19th-century American journalist, diplomat, archeologist, and scholar, played a prominent diplomatic role during the period of U.S. expansionism in the 1850's and 1860's. As chargé d'affaires in Central America, Squier drew numerous maps in connection with proposals for construction of a canal and a railroad to link the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. Selections from the map collection are reproduced in the article.

The third essay, "Jefferson, the Book Collector," was written by Frederick R. Goff, Chief of the Rare Book Division, and is based on a lecture Mr. Goff delivered at the Grolier Club in New York in April 1971. The essay traces the steps Jefferson took in acquiring the 6,000-volume collection which he sold to Congress in 1815, and which formed the nucleus of the Library of Congress. Jefferson's sources for books, his habit of purchasing the least expensive editions, the manuscript catalog in which he systematically recorded and arranged the collection, and the circumstances surrounding the sale of his collection to Congress are discussed in the article.

The fourth and final article in the January issue is devoted to "Notable Acquisitions of the Music Division" and was written by Edward N. Waters, Assistant Chief of the Music Division. This illustrated article recounts the growth of the collections of the Music Division over the last year. Holographs of Irving Fine, James Friskin, George Gershwin, and Albert Huybrechts, among others, reveal the breadth of the year's acquisitions. In addition to these scores and drafts, the collections were enlarged by papers or letters of Fritz Kreisler, Franz Liszt, Sergei Prokofieff, Sergei Rachmaninoff, and Arnold Schoenberg. Early music imprints and books, as well as other important miscellany, figure among the acquisitions. The article concludes with a review of the acquisition activities of the Archive of Folk Song and the Recorded Sound Section.

New Microfilm Publications: The Library of Congress has made available on 35 mm microfilm the *United States Army in the World War, 1917-1919,* which was published in 1948. This unique collection was compiled and edited by the Department of the Army, Office of Military History.

The series of 17 volumes presents a widely representative selection of the records of the American Expeditionary Forces in World War I; the records are considered essential to a critical study of the history of that war. The selection of documents is intended to present readers summary narratives of events showing the evolution of General Pershing's plan for the organization of the American Expeditionary Forces, presenting policy formulated for interior administration, covering combat operations, illustrating the steps leading to the signing of the Armistice, and accounting for post-Armistice activities until July 2, 1919. They also reproduce the more significant portions of documents included in the final report of the Commander-in-Chief of the Forces and furnish a standard reference source of complete sets of general orders and bulletins issued by the General Headquarters of the Forces.

The collection of published documents contains numerous terrain and battle photographs, maps, and sketches of a comprehensive nature, intended to illustrate the military situation or the order of battle, or

both, with particular reference to American participation. Charts are also included which visualize special commander-administrative arrangements.

A positive microfilm copy on five reels can be supplied for $95. Orders should be addressed to the Photoduplication Service, Department C-185, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

The Photoduplication Service has also microfilmed several manuscript collections and can now furnish positive microfilm copies at the prices given; the collections are those of Josiah Bartlett (17 reels, $180), Roscoe Conkling (1 reel, $12), John Hay (23 reels, $240), Hans P. Kraus (3 reels–the unrestricted portion–$32), Carl Schurz (121 reels, $1,260), Daniel Sickles (2 reels, $22), Ephraim Squier (14 reels, $146), Alexander Stephens (57 reels, $593), and Robert Walker (7 reels, $73). Orders or letters of inquiry should be addressed to Photoduplication Service, Department C-182 SUPPLEMENT.

Press Releases: No. 72-3 (January 19) Josephine Jacobsen is appointed to second term as Library of Congress Consultant in Poetry.

Library of Congress Regulations: Nos. 2013-11 and 2015-19 (January 13) concerned the Library's policy on compensatory time and overtime pay; no. 213-11, page 2 (January 19) reflected the current organization and functions of the Serial Record Division, Processing Department.

Special Announcements: No. 457 (January 10) cited the pay rates of the General Schedule effective January 10, 1972; no. 458 (January 11) announced the Special Recruit Program for 1972-73; no. 459 (January 12) assigned William W. Rossiter as Chief, Procurement and Supply Division, in addition to his present duties as Chief, Financial Management Office, Administrative Department.

STAFF NEWS

Personnel Data File

Recently, all Library of Congress employees received several pages of personnel data concerning their individual records. With these pages was a request with instructions for the employee to verify, correct, and add certain information which will update his record.

The growing requirements for data by the Civil Service Commission, the Library, and its employees have created the need for this modernization of the personnel data files. Further contributing to the need is the gradual growth of the Library's staff. The automated personnel data file will allow more rapid collection, maintenance, and processing of data and requests for data. It will also assist the Library to identify current skills and training of all Library employees, aid employee counseling, and determine training needs of individuals to increase promotional opportunities. In order to accomplish this, however, the data on file must be kept accurate and current. Training courses taken through the Library's Training Office and all personnel actions will automatically be updated on the employee's record. It should be stressed, however, that each employee has the ultimate responsibility for keeping his training and skills record up to date. The Personnel Office should be notified as soon as possible after the completion of any course of study taken outside of the Library's training programs.

It is for this reason the employee is now being asked to complete the data not now on file. To insure that this initial data is accurate, a second printout will be forwarded to each employee for possible correction and verification. If all records are returned by the end of January, the second printout should be forwarded to the employee about April 1. Thereafter, once each year the employee will receive a printout to verify and update his personnel record.

Safeguards are being established to assure the privacy of information contained in the file which will be used only for official purposes.

Federal Withholding Tax

Federal tax withholdings on wages paid after January 15 will be increased to provide more accurate withholdings for 1972. Increased withholdings were reflected in the pay checks distributed on January 18. District of Columbia tax withholdings were also increased, but the Maryland and Virginia withholdings will not be affected.

A new law makes it necessary for an employee to file a new Employee's Withholding Exemption Certificate (Form W-4) with the Library if he wishes to claim a new "special withholdings allowance." With the claim, an employee will not have as much income tax withheld from his pay.

Staff members desiring clarification should contact John Husovsky or Richard Pullen on ext. 5186.

Health Benefits Enrollment Extended

The enrollment period for the Health Benefits Program for Federal Employees has been extended through January 31. During the "open season," employees may change plans or options, and they may cancel or reverse a change made after the open season began on November 15. Details concerning the extension can be obtained by consulting Special Announcement 456.

LC Minority Employment

The statistical survey of minority employment in the Library of Congress for a Civil Service Commission report has been completed. The May 1971 survey was published in the *Information Bulletin* on June 10. Categories named below in the breakdown are those specified by the Commission.

Analysis of Full-Time Employment
November 29, 1971 *All Pay Systems*

Category	*Number*	*Percent*
American Indian	0	0
Negro	1461	38.0
Oriental	93	2.4
Spanish Surnamed	37	1.0
All Other Employees	2249	58.6
Total Employees	3840	

Within the General Schedule and similar pay systems in grades 2 through 6, the number of employees in minority groups is 903 (63.7 percent). There are 433 minority group employees in grades 7 through 11 (29.8 percent), and 75 in grades 12 and above (9.8 percent). The following table gives a further breakdown.

Pay System General Schedule and Similar	*Full-Time Employees*	*Negro*	*Spanish Surnamed*	*Oriental*	*All Other Employees*
GS 1–4	574	424	2	1	147
		73.9%	.3%	.2%	25.6%
GS 5–8	1421	686	18	20	697
		48.3%	1.3%	1.4%	49.0%
GS 9–11	870	140	7	38	685
		16.1%	.8%	4.4%	78.7%
GS 12–13	524	29	7	26	462
		5.5%	1.3%	5.0%	88.2%
GS 14–15	186	3	2	5	176
		1.6%	1.1%	2.7%	94.6%
GS 16–18	52	2	0	1	49
		3.9%		1.9%	94.2%

There are 202 employees paid under wage systems; 177 (87.6 percent) are minority-group employees.

RETIREMENTS

Lena J. Stewart, Field Director of the LC office in Karachi since November 1969, retired on January 14 after almost 40 years of Government service. On January 13 Miss Stewart was honored by her many friends at a farewell reception in the office of William J. Welsh, Director of the Processing Department. She was presented with a bound book of signatures and a starter set of electrical kitchen appliances.

Miss Stewart, a graduate of St. Andrews College at Laurinburg, N.C., came to the Library in 1942 after a brief period with the War Department. For several years she was Classification Officer in the Personnel Office. In 1945-46 she was granted a one-year leave of absence to work with the Red Cross in the Philippines and Japan. Miss Stewart left LC in 1952 to serve as a classifier of Foreign Service positions in the State Department, but returned in May 1953 as Administrative Officer in the Processing Department, a position she held for five years. In 1958, she joined the Agency for International Development (AID) as a Personnel Officer, serving for two years in Laos and

for four and one-half years in Taiwan. She returned to Washington in June 1965 as a Personnel Management Specialist with the Peace Corps. In August 1966 Miss Stewart accepted an appointment as the LC Field Director of the PL-480 Project in Indonesia, a position she held until being transferred to Karachi.

Miss Stewart will be remembered by her colleagues for a remarkable combination of charm, efficiency, and imperturbability in moments of crisis. These qualities were given recognition in the form of superior performance awards by LC in 1951 and AID in 1964.

Alexander Udris, Subject Cataloging Division, retired on January 31 after more than 19 years of service in the Library of Congress.

Born in Ziemeri, Latvia, Mr. Udris received his education at the University of Latvia, where he studied engineering and received a master of law degree in 1933. After graduation he became an assistant judge of the Riga (Latvia) District Court, and from 1934 to 1944 he served as a judge of the Family and Probate Court of Riga.

Following World War II, Mr. Udris served first as Chairman of the Disciplinary Commission and later as Deputy Camp Administrator of the International Refugee Organization in Stuttgart, Germany.

In 1950 Mr. Udris emigrated to the United States and worked in private industry until his appointment to the Library of Congress in November 1952 as Assistant Editor in the East European Accessions List Project. He was promoted in 1954 to Cataloger-Translator, and in 1961 transferred to the Monthly Index of Russian Accessions (later relocated in the Aerospace Technology Division) as a Subject Cataloger-Translator. Since 1969 Mr. Udris has served as Location Assistant in the Sheflisting Section of the Subject Cataloging Division.

On the occasion of his 70th birthday, and in honor of his retirement, the staff of the Subject Cataloging Division held a luncheon on January 18.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Appointments: Terry Sue Alexio, librarian, GS-9, Share Cat, PA2290; Maureen R. Booney, secretary, GS-6, R&T, PA2370; Mrs. Annie L. Gartmon, clerk-typist, GS-2, GR&B, PA2414; George B. Kelly, chemist, GS-11, R&T, PA2464; David M. Sale, legal analyst, GS-11, CRS A, PA2325; Heinz A. Toennies, analyst in fiscal and financial economics, GS-13, CRS E, PA2260; Julius C. Wilson, reading room assistant, GS-2, S&R, PA2412.

Temporary Appointments: Doris V. Berry, library aid, GT-2, Cat Publ, OP500; Mrs. Suzanne Burton, editorial assistant, GS-4, CRS F, OP400; Humphrey Neal, clerk, GS-3, DBPH; Mrs. Kathleen F. Russell, clerk-information receptionist, GS-4, Desc Cat.

Reappointments: James M. Mitchell, specialist in American national Government, GS-15, CRS GGR; Johnnie R. Pitman, warehouseman, WG-5, Card, PB2419.

Promotions: Mrs. Gwendolyn P. Andrews, to correspondence unit supervisor, GS-6, Cop Exam, PA2329; John H. Bazemore, CRS D, to library technician, GS-4, Ord, PB2365; Arvell R. Giles, to supervisor, Publications Distribution Unit, GS-6, CS, PB2444; Robert J. Hendricks, Cat Publ, to clerk, GS-3, Subj Cat, PA2426; Kathryn A. Kontak, to loan reference specialist, GS-11, Loan, PA2362; Christine Moynihan, to assistant laboratory technician, GT-3, Photodup, PA2296; Mrs. Barbara B. Petty, to supervisory librarian, GS-12, Cat Publ, PB2405; Elijah Walker, CMO, to warehouseman, WG-5, Card, PB2419.

Resignations: Stuart Johnson Jr., S&R; Mrs. Leander G. Holt, Bldgs Mgmt; Harry G. Houze, Ser.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Karl B. Freyder celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 21. Mr. Freyder will be remembered as the former Foreman Gardener in the Buildings and Grounds Division. He retired in 1968. [See the *Information Bulletin* of May 2, 1968.]

After his retirement, Mr. and Mrs. Freyder spent three months in 1968 visiting his native Germany, and touring Italy, Austria, and Switzerland.

Emma G. Montgomery, Principal Acquisitions Officer in the Reference Department, will be away during 1972, on a one-year leave of absence, to work on an M.A. degree in library science at the University of Hawaii. During her absence, **William Matheson** will act as Principal Acquisitions Officer.

Mr. Matheson came to the Library in June 1971 as Assistant to the Chief of the Rare Book Division, from his former position of Chief of the Rare Books and Special Collections, at the Washington University Library in St. Louis, Mo. For a fuller account of Mr. Matheson's career, see the *Information Bulletin* of June 3, 1971.

The **Library of Congress Professional Association** will meet on January 26 at 12 noon in the Whittall Pavilion. Robert S. Bray, Chief of the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, will describe recent developments in aids for the blind and physically handicapped.

The **WRA LC Caps** exerted tremendous effort against the Wilmack team on January 10. Considering the record of the unbeaten Wilmack team and the use of a five-man LC team without relief on the sidelines, the five point loss could only be interpreted as a tremendous expenditure of energy and team spirit.

Playing into the second half of season, the LC Caps lost to the All Soul Jets team by a score of 54 to 46 on January 17.

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

Lionel Trilling to Present Lecture

The National Endowment for the Humanities has selected Lionel Trilling to give the first of the annual "Jefferson Lectures in the Humanities," a national series created to help bridge the gap between learning and public affairs.

Dr. Trilling, an internationally known writer and teacher, is one of the three University Professors at Columbia University, an honor awarded to outstanding teachers whose work and thought go beyond their own academic fields. He is the author of critical studies of Matthew Arnold and E. M. Forster, a novel, *The Middle of the Journey,* and several volumes of critical essays, including *The Literal Imagination, The Opposing Self* and *Beyond Culture.* He has taught at the University of Wisconsin, Hunter College, and Oxford and Harvard Universities.

Dr. Trilling will deliver the first Jefferson Lecture before an invited audience of scholarly, cultural, and public leaders in Washington, D.C., in April. The lecture will be published. The subject of Dr. Trilling's lecture has not yet been announced but he will discuss those aspects of contemporary culture related to the humanities.

The selection of Dr. Trilling was made from among 200 nominations received from learned educational and professional organizations and from the National Council on the Humanities, a group of 26 citizens appointed from public life by the President to advise the Endowment.

5,500 Scholars Attend AHA Meeting

The 86th annual meeting of the American Historical Association (AHA) was held in New York City, December 28-30, at the New York Hilton Hotel. Approximately 5,500 scholars attended, an increase of about 400 over last year's total.

The scarcity of academic jobs and restrictions on travel funds prompted requests from 1,300 persons to participate in the program, and the result was 134 sessions on subjects ranging from the implications of Thomas S. Kuhn's *Structure of Scientific Revolutions* (which introduced the concept of paradigms now so popular with historians and social scientists) to the application of computer techniques to historical studies.

One of the better attended sessions was an evening program on the Pentagon Papers, featuring a joint paper read by Ernest R. May on the shortcomings of the Papers as written history, a defense of the compilation by Leslie Gelb, and comments by Louis Morton and Daniel Ellsberg. A related session on the declassification of secret documents included a panel discussion on problems involved in declassifying, and the various periods of time that have been suggested after which documents should be automatically declassified.

The wide range of topics treated in the sessions reflected the interests of the 31 societies and other groups which met jointly with the AHA. Thus, there were sessions on the history of science and technology, church history, social history, peace research, Soviet history, the historical value of films (see following article), the history of social welfare, Irish studies, educational history, the bibliography of foreign relations, American studies, labor history, the history of agriculture, and other topics.

Special sessions included discussions dealing with the problem of jobs for historians, academic freedom, a new history education periodical to be published by the AHA, and the contributions of Lenny Bruce. At the general meeting on December 28, Joseph R. Strayer delivered the presidential address, "The Fourth and the Fourteenth Centuries." (Dr. Strayer assumed the presidency in February 1971, following the death of David M. Potter.) [*Ronald S. Wilkinson*]

Reflecting the growing interest in motion pictures among American historians, the AHA annual meeting provided a series of panel discussions and meetings on film-oriented topics. The topics explored included "Historians' Work in Sound and Film," "The Film and the Depression," "Television, Documentary, and Newsreel Films," "The Film as Social and Intellectual History," and "Film as an Instrument of Social Control: The Propaganda Film."

These and other film-related sessions were well attended and frequently generated heated discussions and debate. One of the most controversial was a session on the film as social and intellectual history in which two University of Pennsylvania professors,

Stuart Samuels and Robert Rosen, called current film history narrow and the work of film buffs, liberal reformers, cultural consensus builders, moralists, and aesthetes.

A session devoted to television, documentary, and newsreel films was held with a presentation by Samuel Suratt, Archivist, CBS News, and comments from William Hughes, Essex Community College, Martin Jackson, Newark College of Engineering, and John Kuiper of the Library's National Film Collection. The discussion centered on scholarly methodology and the problems and needs of selection, acquisition, and preservation of existing and future collections. [*John Kuiper*]

Charles E. Lee, President of the Society of American Archivists, presided at a Joint AHA-SAA Luncheon Meeting on December 28, which heard a report from the National Archives Advisory Council by Sidney Fine of the University of Michigan and Norman A. Graebner of the University of Virginia.

Editors of projects for the publication of papers from the early period of American history met at a luncheon of the National Historical Publications Commission, which was attended by a number of Commission members, including Mrs. Elizabeth E. Hamer, Assistant Librarian of Congress, who represented the Librarian. James Hutson, newly appointed Coordinator of the Library's American Revolution Bicentennial Programs, was introduced, and editors recently appointed to Commission-sponsored projects briefly described their projects.

Two Authors Receive Beveridge Award

The 1971 Albert J. Beveridge Award, presented annually by the American Historical Association for the best book in English on American history, including the United States, Canada and Latin America, has been awarded jointly to Carl N. Degler for *Neither Black nor White: Slavery and Race Relations in Brazil and the United States,* and to David J. Rothman for *The Discovery of the Asylum: Social Order and Disorder in the New Republic.* The prize carries an honorarium of $5,000.

FLC Meets on ERIC Program

The purpose and current program of the ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center) Clearinghouse on Library and Information Sciences was presented by Herbert R. Koller, Director, and J. I. Smith, Assistant Director, at the January 19 meeting of the Federal Library Committee. This nation-wide information system, designed and supported by the U.S. Office of Education, provides a varied clientele (libraries, information science services, Government agencies, professional associations, educators, and administrators) with documents and bibliographies of publications not readily available through copyright or from publishers. The ERIC system provides for the collection of this scattered literature through 20 decentralized clearinghouses, each concentrating in a major educational area. ERIC screens and organizes the materials, furnishes copies at modest cost, and prepares summaries, reviews, and bibliographies on special topics. Over 400 major institutions and associations offer the ERIC materials to their constituents. Some 70 subject areas have now been identified by the user community; these include guidelines for the establishment of libraries, development of new library services, and library research activities.

The Committee also was briefed on plans for a practical library automation seminar to be held in the spring for librarians in the field. Specific information on this will be announced when plans have been completed.

The Librarian of Congress introduced Charles H. Stevens, Executive Director of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Sciences.

The Federal Library Committee asked the Executive Secretary to express its deep appreciation to Mrs. June Newell, whose serious illness has necessitated her retirement from the FLC Office, for her dedicated and very helpful service to the members of the Committee.

St. John's to Mark IBY with Conference

St. John's University in Jamaica, N.Y., will celebrate International Book Year 1972 with a one-day conference on campus Saturday, May 6. More than 400 scholars, educators, librarians, book publishers, communications specialists, and members of the United Nations and the diplomatic corps are expected to participate. Theme of the Conference is "Books in a Starving World: A Quest for Enrichment."

Sponsored by the St. John's Department of Library Science, the Conference will feature five panel discussions, a book film theater, exhibits, a luncheon, and an opportunity to exchange ideas in an academic and social atmosphere.

Reservations can be made by mailing an $8 registration fee, which will cover the Conference and luncheon, to Public Relations, St. John's University, Grand Central & Utopia Parkways, Jamaica, N.Y. 11432.

Two Canadian Poets to Read at Folger

The Folger Shakespeare Library 1972 Poetry Series will present "An Evening of Canadian Poetry" on Sunday, January 30 at 8 p.m. Admission is free.

Two Toronto poets, Raymond Souster and Gwendolyn MacEwen, will read from their own work. Mr. Souster, an accountant, is editor of Contact Press and of *New Wave Canada* (1966), an anthology of young writers' work. His books of poetry have been published since 1946. Miss MacEwen left school to pursue a literary career and began publishing her poetry and novels in 1963.

New CMEA Publications

The Council for Mutual Economic Assistance (CMEA) Secretariat in Moscow has expanded and extended its contacts with international economic, scientific, and technical organizations in recent years, according to the *Survey of CMEA Activities in 1970.* It is hoped that this trend will be reflected in a wider distribution of CMEA publications.

The CMEA, often called COMECON in English, is the East European counterpart of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris. CMEA member countries comprised a population of 347 million by the end of 1970, but produced about one-third of the world's industrial output.

The Library of Congress has recently received several CMEA publications including *Survey of CMEA Activities in 1970* (Moscow 1971); *Comprehensive Programme for the Further Extension and Improvement of Cooperation and Development of Socialist Economic Integration by the CMEA Member-Countries* (Moscow 1971); and *Biulleten' Po Vodnomu Khoziaistvu, nos. 4-8* (1969-71).

Leonard Cohan Named Journal Editor

Leonard Cohan, Director of Libraries, Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, has been appointed editor of *Information–News/Sources/Profiles,* a bimonthly journal of Science Associates International, Inc.

Mr. Cohan, author of the study "Science Information Personnel" and editor of *Directory of Computerized Information in Science and Technology* published by Science Associates, is an authority on new approaches to the creation and organization of information and library resources.

In February, Science Associates will begin publishing library and information sciences studies and state-of-the-art reports commissioned by governmental, academic, and learned society groups in a new bimonthly publication entitled *Information–Part 2.* Among the first reports to be published will be "Interface of Technical Libraries with Other Information Systems," written by Alan M. Rees, and developed in cooperation with the Federal Library Committee's Task Force on the Role of Libraries in Information Systems.

Annual subscriptions to *Information–Part 2* is $25. Orders and requests for further information may be sent to Science Associates International, Inc., 23 East 26th St., New York, N.Y. 10010.

Air Force to Compile Aviation Guide

The Office of Air Force History is compiling a documentary guide which will describe various depositories, libraries, and collections containing reference and documentary materials on aviation and other matters relating to Air Force history. The guide will be used to aid scholars and students conducting original research in the field. The format will be styled after that used by the *National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections* of the Library of Congress.

Libraries holding collections of pertinent primary source material may be identified by contacting Lawrence J. Paszek, Senior Editor, Office of Air Force History, Headquarters, U.S. Air Force, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D.C. 20314.

D.C. Branch of NAL Reopens

The National Agricultural Library (NAL) opened the renovated quarters of its District of Columbia Branch, located in the South Agriculture Building on Independence Ave., during special ceremonies on November 12.

The D.C. Branch has approximately 300 journals on display covering various aspects of agriculture. Supplementing the display is a monthly computer print-out of journal titles available from the NAL.

Other features of the branch are the Civil Rights, Pre-Retirement, and New Book shelves. The branch houses the USDA Graduate School collection and about a quarter of the permanent NAL collection dealing with the social sciences, management, economics, statistics, and foreign trade.

Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Mrs. Susan Moundalexis is the librarian-in-charge.